

Expiration Date of Approval: April 30, 1996.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The Forest Service needs this collection of information on the cooperative programs with State and local governments to: (a) provide information to Congress on accomplishments from the use of appropriated funds, (b) provided information to better manage these programs, (c) determine minority participation in the programs, and (d) meet requirements of section 12 of Pub. L. 95-313, the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 1606), which requires adequate information to implement oversight responsibility and prove accountability for expenditures and activities under the Act.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.04 hours per response.

Type of Respondents: Local and State governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 53.

Estimated of Responses per Respondent: 5.45.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 589 hours.

Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information.

Use of Comments

All comments received in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: December 1, 1995.

Jack Ward Thomas,
Chief.

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Extension and Revision of Currently Approved Information Collection for Recreation Customer and Use Survey Techniques

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service announces its intent to request an extension and revision of a currently approved information collection for customer and use survey techniques for operations and management related to recreation use of natural resources. The revision will add questions to elicit information for experimental research linking recreation users' stated and actual preferences and behavior.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before February 5, 1996.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to: J.M. Bowker, Principal Investigator, Forest Service, USDA, Southern Research Station, 320 Green St., Athens, GA 30602.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: J.M. Bowker, Outdoor Recreation and Wilderness Assessment, at (706) 546-2451.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description of Information Collection

The following describes the information collection to be extended and revised:

Title: USDA Forest Service Customer and Use Survey Techniques for Recreation Operations, Management, Evaluation and Research.

OMB Number: 0596-0110.

Expiration Date of Approval: June 30, 1996.

Type of Request: Extension of a previously approved information collection and revision to include additional questions on contingent behavior.

Abstract: The data collected will be used by Government researchers to test and develop methods to assess the value of natural resources to recreational users by exploring the linkages between their actual and stated behavior. The data will be collected individually through questionnaires and respondent cards containing seven questions about intended recreation behavior. Data to be gathered in this information collection is not available from other sources.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to vary from 3 to 7 minutes per response.

Type of Respondents: Individuals participating in on-site recreation activities.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 900.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 75 hours.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of this agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Use of Comments

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Southwestern Region: Arizona, New Mexico, West Texas and Oklahoma; Notice To Extend Public Comment Period to January 12, 1996; Final Environmental Impact Statement for Amendment of Forest Plans in the Southwestern Region

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice to Extend Public Comment Period, Final Environmental Impact Statement [FEIS].

SUMMARY: The Southwestern Region of the Forest Service published a notice of availability for public comment on a final environmental impact statement in the Federal Register (Vol. 60, No. 213, pages 55841) on November 3, 1995. This notice is issued to extend the comment period from December 4, 1995 to January 12, 1996 regarding that FEIS. The FEIS concerns Amendment of Forest Plans in the Southwestern Region, and implementation, standards and guidelines for Northern Goshawk and Mexican Spotted Owl.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This notice is effective December 6, 1995.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: The Regional Forester, Southwestern Region, is the responsible official for decisions that affect Southwestern Region Forest Land and Resource Management Plans.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Director of Ecosystem Management Planning, Arthur S. Briggs,